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TO: Local Directors, office managers, Foster Care and Adoption supervisors, private licensed Child Placing Agencies, Eligibility supervisors and workers

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SUBJECT: Title IV-E Reimbursements for Maintenance Costs for Children Placed in For Profit Licensed Child Placing Agency Foster Homes

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Effective Dec. 1, 2005, Title IV-E reimbursements for maintenance payments may be paid directly to licensed child-placing agencies by local departments of social services. This change is a result of new federal legislation, S. 1894, signed into law by President Bush Nov. 22, 2005 and enacted the same day as Public Law 109-113. This broadcast supersedes policy guidance regarding maintenance payments to foster homes under the purview of for-profit child placing agencies as described in Broadcast # 2589 issued March 5, 2004.

For-profit child placing agencies must meet all Title IV-E requirements in order for local departments to claim maintenance costs. For information regarding Title IV-E allowable costs and other related Title IV-E information, refer to www.dss.virginia.gov/family/fc/ive/allowable_costs.html.